ISOLATION SHED, CHALAKKUDI—LOCATION OF

78. Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they are aware of the fact that the Isolation Shed at Chalakkudi is situated very near the Ernakulam-Shoranur Trunk Road;

(*b*) are there not many houses close to this Isolation Shed;

(*c*) is it not a fact that the Isolation Shed so centrally situated causes extreme inconvenience and nuisance to the public;

(*d*) is it a fact that this year, some of the small-pox patients in this shed frightened the neighbours as a result of which, some of the neighbours also got small-pox?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) It is located at the distance of over 40 feet away from the road.

(*b*) No. Only 6 houses.

(*c*) No. It is situated away from the busy centre of the town and it causes neither inconvenience nor nuisance to the public.

(*d*) No.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Is not this part of the road frequented by a large number of people?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Yes.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Cannot these people see the inpatients in the shed?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* I do not think they can see them. They may know that they are there.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Will not they get frightened if they see?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* What is to be done for that, when people get frightened for anything and everything?

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* The isolation sheds should be located at a distant place.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* There is one difficulty; when you put up these sheds far away from the

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public, people would not like to go there, because they are frightened. They also will not be looked after properly. It is a mistake to think that isolation sheds should be removed far away from the town and located in deserted places.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്°. പണിക്കർ. കോടശ്ശേരി മലയിലേക്കു കൊണ്ടു പോകണമെന്നല്ല. പബ്ലിക്ക° റോഡിന്റെ അരികിൽനിന്നു° മാറ്റികിട്ടി യാൽ മതിയെന്നാണു° ഞങ്ങൾ ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ടതു°.

ഡോക്ടർ എ. ആർ. മേനോൻ. കോടശ്ശേരി മലയിലേക്കു കൊണ്ടുപോ കണമെന്ന കാര്യം പറഞ്ഞതുമില്ല ഇവിടെ.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* There are many suitable places in Chalakkudi where this shed could be located.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* In Trichur, it is in the very heart of the town.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Cheruthuruthi):* Is it necessary to keep a board there?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* What is the objection in having the board?

SMALL-POX RELIEF WORK—NEDUMPURA AND VETTIKKATTIRI—ARTICLE IN "GOMATHI" DATED, 13th JUNE 1940

79. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to an article published in the "Gomathi" dated 13th June, on page 6, column 2 under the caption "ചൊൽത്തു ഡയറക്ടരുടെ ശ്രദ്ധക്കു°" complaining that the relief work undertaken by the Government in the small-pox affected areas of Nedumpura and Vettikkattiri (Talappalli Taluk) is insufficient and unsatisfactory;

(*b*) the number of small-pox cases which was brought to the notice of Health authorities from Nedumpura, Cheruthuruthi, Mullurkara, Pynkulam villages during the months of Edavam and Mithunam 1115;

(*c*) whether the Government have done any relief work in the affected areas; if so, the nature and volume of work done;

(*d*) under whose immediate supervision were the relief measures taken?

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